WO-252 Goodman's Clothing Store Snow Hill private

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## 7. Description

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The Goodman's clothing store stands on the north side of Green Street in the center of Snow Hill, Worcester County, Maryland. The two-story building, consisting of contrasing nineteenth-century commercial structures, faces southeast.

Erected during the few months following the August of 1893 town fire, these two commercial buildings, contrasting in height, detail and brick color, were joined on the first floor around 1924 as a single shop space, whereas the second floor has remained separate. Covered by flat roofs of differing height, each is disquised by a parapet.

The eastern half of the two-part store is the tallest structure on the north side of Green Street and was assembled in beige-colored brick that contrasts with the consistent red brick facades of the adjacent structures. Although the first floor has been completely reworked, the second floor has remained unchanged with three single-pane sash windows topped by heavily molded continuous round brick arches. The window wall is set in slightly from the outside corners of the building which are marked by long, rectangular molded panels. Stretching above the windows is a row of corbelled decorative brick. The upper part of the commercial front is embellished with four medallions of molded brick, and the building is topped by an enriched metal cornice. Featured at each end of the cornice are blocks topped by urn-like finials.

The western half of the clothing store is a less elaborate three-bay red brick facade with a remodeled first floor. The second floor has not changed appreciably with three two-over-two second floor windows topped by segmental arches. Marble sills remain with each window as well, and the window header is incised with a delicate line decoration. Finishing the top of the wall is a decorative pattern of corbelled brick that serves as the cornice.

The first floor interior has been reworked. A large segmental arched doorway was introduced through the party wall around 1924 when the two commercial buildings were joined as one store.

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8. Significance

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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